

THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

Premiered 7th November 2020

Online performance on Remembrance Day in honour of these brave
Black British Soldiers who fought in WW1 and WW11
- "I think it's a great idea, if this can be performed in schools for
black history month. Very moving and informative." Audience



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About us

Alison Ray, Artistic Director of Alison Ray Dance Company created the Unknown Soldier in 2019 to shed light on the contributions of the Black British War Veterans who fought in WW1& WW11.

The work creates an engaging narrative through an interdisciplinary medium of Dance, Live Music, Text, and Visuals. Alison Ray Dance Company's mission is to engage Schools, Colleges, Universities, and Community organisations, and wider audiences with the benefits of this historical work through the educational and participation pack.

To make known the contribution of these men and women from the Caribbean, Africa, and Britain. Alison Ray Dance Company is committed to engage children and young people with the Unknown Soldier, through workshops and projects based on production.

Curriculum Links: Dance, Drama, Music, History, and Art (Visuals) Suitable for Schools, Colleges, Universities and Community Settings.



Photo: Matea:
Dancers: Laverne Wynter and Theophilous Alade
Musician :Rambisha (Berimbau player)



WORKSHOPS

Workshops in the Dance styles from this era:

Students will explore the dance styles of Lindy Hop, Caribbean, African and Contemporary Dance that form the basis of the interdisciplinary *The Unknown Soldier*.

Delivered by the team of Professional Dancers and Musicians from the work:

Theophilous Alade, Laverne Winter (Singer/dancer), Yannick Mindu, Rabimsha (Berimbau player) and Artistic Director Alison Ray MA.

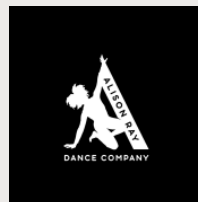
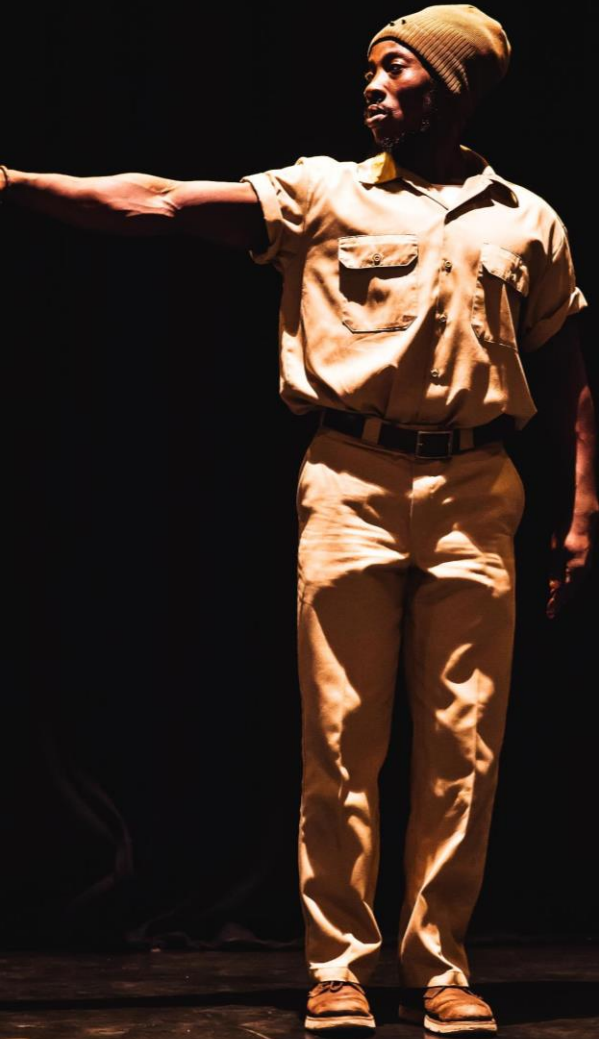
Music Workshops:

Discover the joining of the instruments from the work the Berimbau and the Violin. How do these instruments create dissonance and rhythm at the same time?

Contextualising Historical view: Text, Poetry and Visual exploration.

With the *Unknown Soldier* team or workshop pack, students explore the history of the Black British War Veterans through Text, Poetry and Visuals.

Example of Task: Students write a letter or create poetry or spoken word to a soldier or relative in WW1 or WW11.



WORKSHOP OPTIONS

Option 1:
1/2 Day Sessions
Excluding travel

Option 2:
Full Day
workshop
with sharing of work
Excluding Travel

These workshops
can be
adapted to suit your
needs.
All Teachers are CRB
Checked

For More information on the workshops email

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